

RETINA SERVICES



Our Retina Services

At the UW Medicine Eye Institute, our multidisciplinary team of ophthalmologists cares for patients with both everyday retinal problems and rare retinal diseases — while employing innovative treatments developed in the Vision Science Center at South Lake Union.

The multidisciplinary team at the UW Medicine Eye Institute includes board-certified ophthalmologists who specialize in vitreoretinal surgery, uveitis (ocular inflammation) and intraocular tumors.

Our physicians care for patients whose quality of life has been compromised by retinal problems, including diabetic retinopathy — the number one cause of vision loss in people under 50 — and age-related macular degeneration (AMD), which is the leading cause of central vision loss in people older than 50.

From relatively common issues to rare inflammatory or infectious retinal disease, we pride ourselves on delivering the highest quality of care in a compassionate, inviting environment.

Individualized Care, Exceptional Service

The UW Medicine Eye Institute Retina Services team understands the impact that retinal disorders can have on our patients' vision and their quality of life. That's why we are dedicated to supporting you every step of the way — from the initial consultation through treatment and comprehensive follow-up care.

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For appointments and more information about Retina Services, call 206.744.2020 or visit uwmedicine.org/eye-institute.

We're committed to accessible, easy-to-understand, personalized care where each patient is an integral member of the care team, encouraged to ask questions and share fully in the treatment decision process. In addition, our state-of-the-art facility in the Ninth & Jefferson building at Harborview Medical Center makes it easier than ever for patients to access eye care from attending physicians.

Our Services

At the UW Medicine Eye Institute, our ophthalmology team treats a variety of retina-related issues.

- Repairing a torn retina
- Re-attaching a detached retina
- Vision loss due to diabetic retinopathy
- Vision loss due to wet or dry age-related macular degeneration
- Inflammatory retinal disease
- Infectious retinal disease

From common conditions to rare disorders, our experienced physicians offer expert and compassionate care.

Our Approach to Retinal Care

We believe in a collaborative approach to healthcare. Our team first assesses each patient's health history, symptoms and current condition thoroughly. Then we discuss our recommendations for treatment with you, making sure you receive the support and education you need to make an informed decision.

This combination of customized care, education about your options and continual support ensures that you receive the right treatment and the appropriate follow-up care.

Research

The physicians and researchers at the UW Medicine Eye Institute engage in research with the aim of finding innovative treatments to improve patients' lives. Some projects currently underway include the following:

- Stem cell use in retinal degeneration disease
- New clinical treatments for macular degeneration and diabetic retinopathy
- A retinal reanimation project that would allow physicians to inject medicine to help a patient's retina regain function
- Innovation in ophthalmological imaging technology and equipment